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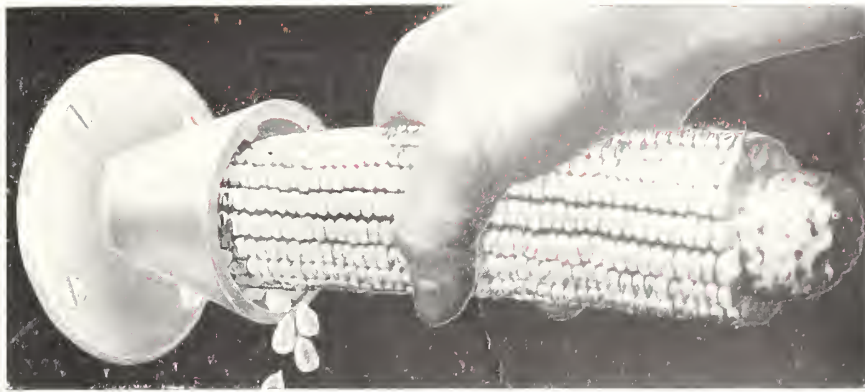
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RED CLOVER 1/2 bu. .60
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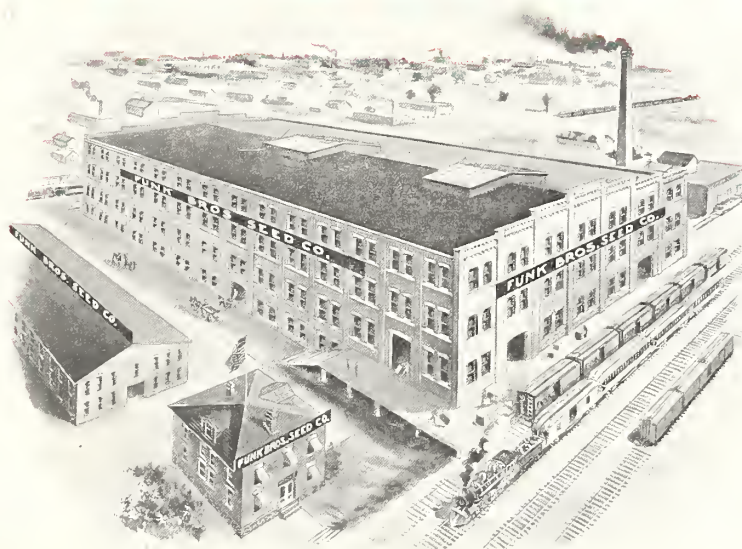
Price, \$1.25 Postpaid

FUNK BROS. SEED CO.

We are located on
the hard road
West Washington St.
1/8 Mile West of Union Depot
One Mile from the Square

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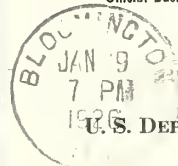


There is only one way in which you can get a clear and complete idea of how wonderfully well-equipped this seed house is, and that is to go through it in person. Do that. Come around whenever you can. We'll be glad to show you through. Then you will feel that this plant of ours is a real asset to your farm, because what we do for you will be done better than you can do it yourself.

Illinois, U.S.A.

Funk Bros. Seed Company
Bloomington, Illinois

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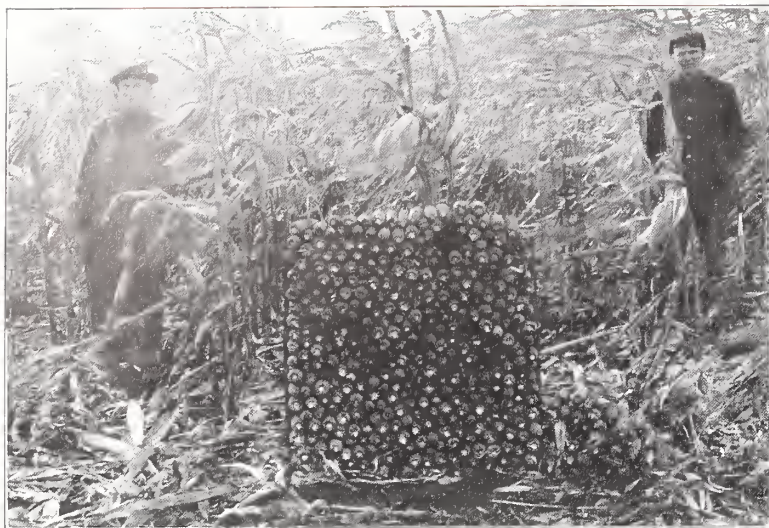
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Mr D. W. Shoemaker

U. S. Dept. of Agri

Washington D. C.

Corn from Good Seed



This corn yielded at the rate of 77.6 bushels per acre

Corn from Poor Seed



This corn yielded at the rate of 38.8 bushels per acre

Funk's Disease-Free Seed Corn

Funk's Yellow Dent 176A

Funk's 90 Day

Funk's 329

Krug

Funk's Way of Producing Disease-Free Seed

Every ear tested on our germinators has been picked from fields on the Funk Farms which for nine years have been planted with only tested disease-free seed of the highest yielding strains.

Several kernels are taken from the whole ears, placed on the germinating tables and left for seven days. At this time the majority of the root rot diseases can be detected and the weak and diseased ears are discarded.

When all kernels are free from disease and show strong root development their ears are retained. This constitutes what is commonly called disease-free seed, but more technically it is seed tested in the above manner for vigor and freedom of disease.

Funk's Individual Ear Tested Seed Corn

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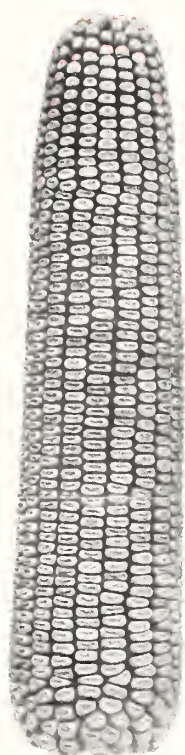
To those who hesitate to pay the price of Disease-Free Seed or prefer to buy corn on the ear we offer every ear tested at a moderate price.

This seed has the proper breeding and selection back of it, and with every ear showing 100% strong germination it is cheap insurance at the small cost of \$1.00 per acre for seed.

You may have it on the ear all tipped and butted, or we will furnish it shelled and graded ready for the planter.

Funk's Yellow Dent

Utility Type—Strain 176A



Funk's Yellow Dent Strain 176A

Utility Type Corn—with medium smooth indentation, deep kernels, full at the germ and having a bright lustre. The cob is sound and the shank attachment clean. Maturity 115 to 120 days; rows 16 to 20; color bright yellow; ears medium.

Funk's Yellow Dent known to thousands of Corn Belt farmers as the best Yellow Dent on the market.

Twenty-five years of corn breeding work has put into Funk's Utility Corn the qualities which you may take advantage of in one season if you plant this seed.

Funk's Yellow Dent has been grown from Funk's Tested for Vigor and Freedom from Disease for nine years.

A strain hard to improve upon.

We wish to emphasize the advisability of placing orders early this year.

Early Corn

With our wet fall and the results of the last few days in October so fresh in our minds the advisability of planting part of our corn acreage to early maturing corn is an important factor.

Reports from country elevators of today show more sample and off grade corn being taken in than ever before. Sound marketable corn that will grade when shucked and bring a few cents more per bushel is a pleasure to all, and profitable too.

The feeder knows that dry corn always makes a better feed and cheaper gain.

Funk's 90-Day

The Earliest High Yielding Corn

Funk's 90-Day Corn was originated by Mr. Eugene D. Funk in 1892 and is the only 90-day corn recognized by the Illinois Seed Corn Breeders Association as a standard variety.

The ears are good size—kernel deep—cob small. We have an early maturing corn with high yielding ability.

If you need a corn for late planting, due to hail storms, floods or droughts.

If you need an early feeding corn.

If you need a high yielding corn to hog down early.

PLANT FUNK'S NINETY-DAY—IT HAS NO EQUAL.

Funk's 90-Day fills a particular need in a wide range of climatic conditions.

The Northern farmer has in this corn an ideal silage, maturing before frost and making a large yield. For the Eastern farmer the same may be said, adding that this makes a fine feeding corn. In the South this corn has taken the place of the well known June corn, making a greater yield and being a fine drouth resister.

Funk's 329

100-Day Yellow

Funk's 329 has made good another year—not only on our own farms but wherever it has been grown in different parts of the corn belt.

This valuable strain of medium early corn has been bred from Funk's high yielding 90-Day by combining two families of promise that were too late to be retained in the 90-Day.

It matures in 100-110 days. The ears are larger than those of the regular 90-Day but not quite as large as those of Funk's Yellow Dent. During the past four years it has given yields only a little below the Yellow Dent and matures a good two weeks earlier. We can heartily recommend it to anyone needing a medium early, high yielding corn.



Funk Bros. Seed Co.

Bloomington, Illinois



WRITE FOR PRICES WHEN NOT GIVEN **FEBRUARY** IF YOU DELAY ORDERING WRITE FOR LATEST PRICE LIST

FUNK FARMS

Established 1824

22000 Acres

Seed Corn
Germination
92 to 95%

Funk's
DISEASE FREE
SEED

and

Funk's
Individual Ear
Tested

We are reading
corn from our Mam-
moth germinator
every day. Come
in and see us.

There are many
"growers" but
few breeders
of corn

"It is what they
say it is at
Funk's"

PRICE LIST

February 10, 1926

Ear Corn, \$1.00 per bushel higher

Per Bu.

Per Bu.

All Varieties { Funk's Disease Free Seed Corn, \$12.00
Write for prices of 10 bu. or more
Funk's Individual Ear Tested . \$ 8.00
Funk's Yellow Dent 176A . . \$5.50
Funk's 329, Yellow, New 100 Day, \$6.00
Funk's 90 Day \$6.00
Funk's Silvermine \$6.00
Funk's Gold Standard Leaming \$5.50
Krug \$5.50
Iowa 103 Oats } 1 to 20 bu. 85c
Iowar Oats } 20 to 75 bu. 80c
Great American Oats } 100 bu. up 75c
Big 4 and Silvermine }
Marquis Spring Wheat . . .
Write for prices

Barley (Wisconsin No. 5) . . \$1.25
Inoculate Clovers—It Pays
Red Clover, Native Grown . Good \$21.50
Best \$23.00
Mammoth Clover \$23.00
Alsike Clover \$18.50
W. B. Sweet Clover, \$7.00
Allow 20c per bushel for bags
White Bloom Sweet Clover "Unhulled" \$ 4.00
Grundy Co. Sweet Clover . \$ 7.20

Burbank Golden Bantam Sweet Corn 50c Pint Postpaid

Utility Sprayers—3½ Gal. Size \$5.00; Barrel Pumps \$12.00; Portable Outfit \$35.00

WRITE FOR DESCRIPTION

We are in the market for Soy Beans for milling

Hubam Clover \$16.50
Alfalfa, Northwestern . . . \$13.50
Alfalfa, Canadian Variegated—
Same characteristics as Grimm \$17.50
Blackfoot Grimm, certified . \$25.00
Dakota No. 12 \$17.50
Inoculation for Legumes—
1-2 bu. size60
1 bu. size \$1.00

Soy Beans

Manchu Mongol Ebony
Wilson A. K. Sable
Illinois 1319 Funk's Hay Mixture
Black Eyebrow Virginia
(Ask for prices)

Rape 10c lb.
Sudan Grass, Home Grown . 6c lb.
Timothy \$4.50 bu.
Kentucky Blue Grass50 lb.
Lawn Grass, 40c lb. Red Top, .35 lb.
Millet \$2.50 bu.
Seed Corn Nubbers . \$1.25 each

FUNK BROS. SEED CO.

Established 1901

Members

American
Seed Trade
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Wholesale Grass
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Association

National Crop
Improvement
Association

Illinois Crop
Improvement
Association

"It is what they
say it is at
Funk's"

Grow Soy Beans. We have a soy bean mill and will buy your crop next fall

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ORDER BLANK

FUNK BROS. SEED CO., Bloomington, Ill.

Date _____ 192__

Enclosed find _____ for \$ _____ for which ship me goods marked on this order blank.

Remittances may be made by check, P. O. order, express money order

My Name _____ P.O. _____ State _____

County _____ R. F. D. _____ R. R. _____

Ship by _____ To _____

Shipping Point

Remarks _____

It is mutually agreed and understood that any seeds ordered of us may be returned at any time within ten days after receipt if not satisfactory and money paid for them will be refunded, but we do not, and cannot, in any way, warrant the crop, as it is dependent on so many conditions beyond our control.

No. Bushels	KIND OF SEED	Price	Total

F. O. B. Bloomington. Bags weighed in unless otherwise specified.

Date _____ If you delay ordering, write for later price list.

February 10, 1926

Names of Your Farmer Friends for Our Mailing List
ADDRESS
NAME

Krug A high yielding medium early maturing corn. One proving very favorably with the farmers of today. It has a good lustre, medium size ear and weighs out well.

Western Plowman We are fortunate in having a limited quantity of Western Plowman. It is a deep grained yellow corn originated by Mr. Wm. Webb and Mr. Wm. Green of Will County, Ill. It is one of the leading high yielding strains of corn grown in Northern Illinois. It matures in 90 to 100 days. Our seed is the pure strain.

Funk's Silvermine A vigorous, thrifty, medium early maturing strain of Iowa Silvermine. The type of ear is medium in size, small cob, and 9 to 10 inches long. Kernels are creamy white, have good depth and are uniform.

Funk's Silvermine is adapted to a wide range of climate and soil.

Golden Standard Leaming We carry this variety largely for the accommodation of our customers who like it for a feeding corn.

Bloody Butcher This is a white capped, 90-day red corn. The ears, like those of 90-Day, are medium in size. The indentation is medium smooth.

We have grown it for a long time for an early corn to "hog down." Plant a few soy beans with it to produce your pork.

Red Cob White A high yielding early white corn. Matures in 100 days, ears are medium in size, with kernels medium smooth. Produces early feeding corn that is hard and dry. We have a very limited supply left.

Johnson County White A white corn of extra large size. It has a medium large white cob. The ears carry their size out well to the tip. The kernels are pearly white, moderately smooth, very deep and have a large germ.

Boone County White It has large, pure white ears with deep, medium rough kernels, borne on a large stalk. We figure on 115 to 125 days of average growing weather to carry this corn beyond danger of frost.

Funk's Way

Larger Yields for the Farm

Being the originators of Commercial Corn Breeding on a large scale, we have had to "blaze the way" at every angle. We do not deny that we have had many followers and we welcome them and say to them, "Come on boys, there is room for us all," but it is well known that FUNK BROS. SEED CO. are the pioneers and the leaders. We feel that we know both the theoretical and practical methods of corn breeding and we practice on our seed farm exactly what we describe in this circular.

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Funk Bros. Seed Company
Bloomington, Illinois



Delegation from DeWitt County Visiting the Funk Farms. 100 Acres of Manchu Soys in Background

Put Soy Beans in Your Rotations

A sure crop for Hay,
or a Grain Crop that
will show the grower
at least a \$1.25 per
bushel and a soil
builder.

The Best Soy Bean to Grow depends largely on location and what they are intended to be used for. Whether for seed, hay, fertilizer, hogging down, any of these or all.

The Manchu, Midwest, Ito San and A. K. yield well for hay and seed, are easily harvested and do not shatter badly, and are very good all round utility bean.

Probably the earliest maturing types are the Ito San, Manchu, A. K. and Midwest in the order named.

The A. K. (commonly called early yellow) is a mixed strain with variation in character and time of maturity. Is a good seed yielder, excellent for green manure, pasture, with corn for ensilage, and hay, and a very satisfactory commercial Bean.

The Ebony, Wilson, Sable, Peking, and Virginia seem to be the favorites for strictly hay beans and to some extent for fertilizing crop.

These are all black varieties but the Virginias, and have very similar characteristics. They grow rather tall, heavy foliage, rather small stem, inclined to vine, stand up well, beans very small, and not as good yielders of seed as most of the yellow varieties.

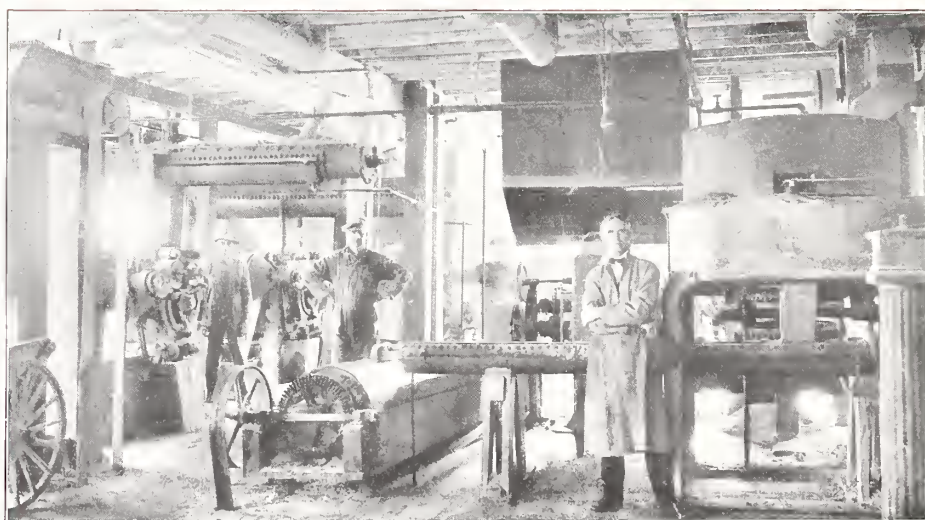
These are some of the varieties of Soy Beans that have met with considerable favor among the growers, and represent types suitable for explanations.

There are many other good and favorite varieties adaptable to certain locations, conditions, etc., and it would be impossible for us to comment on all.

WE WOULD BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU WRITE US RELATIVE TO VARIETY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN, AND LET US GO MORE INTO DETAIL ABOUT IT.

Soy Beans for Commercial Purposes

Believing that it is essential to the greatest development of the Soy Bean Industry, that a market is assured the grower for surplus beans, we have installed a crushing plant at our seed house where beans are processed and oil expressed, and in this manner converted into valuable products, that already have found a favorable market.



A Partial View of our Soy Bean Crushing Plant.

Canadian Variegated Alfalfa

Similar to Grimm and Unusually Hardy

Canadian Variegated Alfalfa Seed was discovered in Ontario many years ago. It was introduced there by a certain Dr. Colver, who brought it from Baden, Germany.

We quote from a reliable Canadian authority as follows:

"At the present time we can get no government experts to distinguish or pick out for us fields of Grimm from genuine Ontario Variegated. So far as we know there is absolutely no difference in root systems, stems, leaves, blossom or hardiness between the Grimm and Ontario Variegated, both belonging to the Variegated Type, so that Ontario Variegated can certainly be classed as Grimm Type.

In New York State experiments Ontario Variegated excelled every other kind of Alfalfa, including Grimm, Baltic, etc."

Funk Brothers are using this seed almost exclusively on their own farms and it has been giving universal satisfaction throughout the Corn Belt for several years. Many fields in Ontario have been seeded down ten to twenty years, indicating the hardiness of this strain of alfalfa.

N. W. Dry Land Alfalfa, Blackfoot, Grimm, Dakota No. 12, Red Clover and Alsike Clover. Give the quality of seed you plant every consideration.

GROW MORE SWEET CLOVER

WHITE BLOSSOM

Starts early in the spring, grows all summer and late in fall.

Maintains more stock per acre than any legume grown.

Dairymen feed and pasture Sweet Clover with best success.

As a manure crop it will add more fertility than any other crop.

Seeds heavily in all sections.



Pure Bred Shorthorns Thrive in Sweet Clover Pasture

GRUNDY COUNTY

A white blossom biennial clover that grows to a height of about four feet and matures an abundance of seed that ripens three weeks ahead of the common White Blossom Sweet Clover.

It is unusually hardy to withstand dry summers and hard winters.

An excellent pasture for all live stock.

SUDAN GRASS—Plant for hay and summer pasture. Sow after May 15th, 15 to 25 pounds per acre. It is adapted to any soil and most climates. Yields a heavy leafy, fine stemmed hay crop, that is easily and quickly cured and is easy to handle.

MILLET—During the summer you may be short on hay and if so Millet is a good substitute. It can be sown after oat harvest by disking and drilling in oat stubble. Ripens in fall for hay before frost. Sow one bushel per acre.

RED TOP is used for both hay and pasture. On wet, heavy bottom soil it grows to perfection and is specially valuable on land liable to overflow. If you are putting down a permanent pasture we suggest making Red Top a part of the mixture.

TIMOTHY—Almost certain to "catch" and a good stand will last three or four years. Sow 10 to 12 pounds per acre. With Clover, 7 pounds. Our quality of seed is choice of crop.

SPRING WHEAT—Considerable acreage was prepared for fall wheat but weather conditions halted the sowing. Many are planning to put spring wheat in its place. Write for samples stating quantity desired.

OATS—We have excellent quality of the following varieties to offer: Iowa 103; Iowar; Funk's Great American; Silvermine and Big Four. All are true to variety and were raised locally. Write for further information.

BARLEY—With a favorable spring, barley yields about 30 to 40 bushels per acre under average conditions in Central Illinois. It requires practically the same seasonal conditions as oats and should be sown the same way. It should be seeded early at the rate of a bushel to a bushel and a half per acre. It weighs 48 pounds per bu.

RAPE—True Dutch or Holland Dwarf Essex Rape is much better than any other European-grown Rape Seed because it produces much bigger quantity of green foliage. Sow 5 to 8 pounds per acre. Produces feed in from six to ten weeks from sowing.



Funk Bros. Seed Co.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS



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Funk's High Yielding Seed Corn



A CORNER IN THE BIG WAREHOUSE AT BLOOMINGTON

Know What You Plant

Your crop is never better than the seed.

This is exceptionally important with seed corn this year. Get your seed with the doubt taken out.

Our seed corn is all grown from Funk's Disease Free Seed except the Krug Corn we offer.

Our customers are our largest and most satisfactory sales force. The following letter from one of them.

Gentlemen:—I have found the old axiom "blood will tell" emphasized to a marked degree in all the seeds I bought from you. Your corn is head and shoulders above everything in the seed corn realm. I admire the plain, straight, forward manner in which your catalog is printed and enjoy your service very much.

Yours very truly, CHAS. L. REDPATH, Marengo, Ill.

We have supplied the most particular corn growers in the United States for a quarter of a century. May we have the pleasure of supplying you?